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SUBJ: CODEL ROTH: SUMMARY REPORT OF USSR VISIT

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1. VISIT APRIL 19-25 OF SENATOR AND MRS. WILLIAM V. ROTH, JR., TO USSR WAS SUCCESSFUL IN MEETING SENATOR'S OBJECTIVES. APPOINTMENTS WERE ARRANGED THROUGH MFA USA DIVISION FOR SENATOR TO MEET WITH RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL OF EVERY ORGANIZATION LISTED REFTEL, WITH EXCEPTION OF HIS EXPRESSED WISH TO SEE BREZHNEV, PODGORNYY AND GROMYKO. AMBASSADOR GAVE LUNCHEON IN HONOR OF SENATOR AND MRS. ROTH AT SPASO HOUSE AND MFA OFFICER ACCOMPAINED THEM TO BOLSHOI BALLET AND PUPPET THEATER. THEY SAW KIROV OPERA PRODUCTION OF BORIS GOUDONOV IN LENINGRAD AND KREMLIN MUSEUMS IN MOSCOW. INTOURIST ACCOMMODATIONS WERE COMFORTABLE AND ARRANGEMENTS SMOOTHLY HANDLED.

2. MAJOR SOVIET OFFICIALS WHO RECEIVED SENATOR INCLUDED DIRECTOR GENERAL OF TASS LEONID ZAMYATIN (IN HIS CAPACITY AS SUPREME SOVIET MEMBER); ACTING MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE MIKHAIL KUZMIN; DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF STATE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DZHERMAN GVISHIANI; MFA CHIEF OF TREATY AND LEGAL DIVISION (ALSO HEAD OF SOVDEL TO MBFR TALKS) OLEG KHLESTOV; DEPUTY AGRICULTURE MINISTER IGNATIY KUZNETSOV; DEPUTY MINISTER OF PETROLEUM REFINING AND PETROCHEMICALS

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NIKOLAI SOROKIN; DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE OF WORLD ECONOMY AND

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS NIKOLAI INOZEMTSEV; AND FIRST DEPUTY CHAIRMAN ALL-UNION CHAMBER OF COMMERCE YEVGENIY PITOVRANOV. SEVERAL OFFICIALS AND EXPERTS WHO WOULD HAVE BEEN OF INTEREST, EXPECIALLY ON DISARMAMENT MATTERS, WERE AWAY FROM MOSCOW ATTENDING DARTMOUTH CONFERENCE IN TBILISI. SIMILARLY, MANY KEY FOREIGN TRADE OFFICIALS WERE IN U.S. OR JAPAN. SENATOR ROTH EXPRESSED HIS UNDERSTANDING OF UNAVAILABILITY THESE OFFICIALS AND INDICATED HIS SATISFACTION WITH RIGOROUS SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS DURING HIS THREE BUSINESS DAYS IN MOSCOW, APRIL 22-24.

3. MEMORANDA OF SENATOR'S MEETINGS ARE BEING FORWARDED DIRECTLY TO HIS OFFICE, WITH COPIES TO EUR/SOV. THE SENATOR HAS AUTHORIZED FURTHER DISSEMINATION BY EUR/SOV WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: SENATOR ROTH WOULD APPRECIATE BRIEF UNCLASSIFIED BIOGRAPHIC SKETCHES, WITH PHOTO IF POSSIBLE, OF OFFICIALS LISTED PARAGRAPH 2.
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